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DETAILED ACTION***Response to Amendment***

1. The reply filed on July 28, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant did not address the merits of claim 52, therefore the status of claim 52 has not been addressed. It is unclear what the "44" is referring to in claim 52 since there is a period before the "44". See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Examiner Correspondence

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Angela J. Martin whose telephone number is (703) 305-0586. The Examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 8:00am to 4:00pm.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0661.

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